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SUMMARY: "PRAVDA" ARTICLE JULY 14, 1976, DESCRIBES USSR-CEMA COUNTRY SPACE AGREEMENT DISCUSSED REFTEL. ARTICLE PROVIDES LITTLE DETAIL. IT ENUMERATES AREAS OF COOPERATION AND PROVIDES FOR ANNUAL MEETING OF "NATIONAL COORDINATING BODIES." END SUMMARY.

1. INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF "PRAVDA" ARTICLE FOLLOWS: BEGIN TEXT.

REPRESENTATIVES OF GOVERNMENTS OF BULGARIA, HUNGARY, GERMAN DEMOCRATIC

REPUBLIC, CUBA, MONGOLIA, POLAND, RUMANIA, USSR AND CZECHOSLOVAKIA

SIGNED IN MOSCOW JULY 13 AN AGREEMENT ON COOPERATION IN PEACEFUL

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SPACE EXPLORATION.

2. THE AGREEMENT EMPHASIZED THE ASPIRATION OF THE FRATERNAL COUNTRIES FOR CONSOLIDATING THE EXPERIENCE GAINED DURING CONDUCTING JOINT WORK IN THE FIELD OF PEACEFUL USE OF SPACE AND FOR FURTHER DEVELOPING COOPERATION IN THIS FIELD. THE FOLLOWING SPHERES OF COOPERATION WERE NAMED: STUDY OF PHYSICAL PROPERTIES OF SPACE, COSMIC METEOROLOGY, COSMIC BIOLOGY AND MEDICINE, COSMIC COMMUNICATION, STUDY OF THE ENVIRONMENT WITH THE HELP OF SPACE MEANS.

3. COOPERATION IS TO BE CARRIED OUT IN SUCH FORM AS LAUNCHING SPACE OBJECTS HAVING SCIENTIFIC AND APPLIED SIGNIFICANCE, CREATING EQUIPMENT FOR SPACE EXPLORATION, CONDUCTING EXPERIMENTS AT GEOPHYSICAL AND METEOROLOGICAL ROCKETS, RENDERING MUTUAL SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, EXCHANGING SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL DOCUMENTS AND INFORMATION.

4. IT IS SPECIFIED BY THE AGREEMENT THAT PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES WILL HOLD ANNUAL MEETINGS OF DIRECTORS OF NATIONAL COORDINATING BODIES. END TEXT.
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